



MICHIGAN  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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Minutes of the House Standing Committee  
on  
Education Reform

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Thursday, March 30, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Education Reform was called to order by Representative Tim Kelly, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby. (15/15)**

Member absent and excused was. **(0/15)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

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The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of March 23, 2017 as printed.

**Representative Alexander moved to adopt the minutes of March 23, 2017, as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.**

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The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4166.

**HB 4166 (Whiteford)** Education; employees; provisions providing employment preferences for certain personnel in special education programs and services; repeal.

The following submitted testimony cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Lisa Hansknecht, Director of Government Relations and Pupil Services for Oakland Schools, and Jerry Johnson, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Jackson, Lenawee, and Monroe Intermediate School Districts.

**Representative Lilly moved to report House Bill 4166 without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, and Reilly. (10/15)**

**Nays: Representatives Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby. (5/15)**

**Pass: None. (0/15)**

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

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The Chair laid before the committee a presentation on Michigan Competency Based Education.

Linda Forward, Director of the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation, Michigan Department of Education, briefed the committee on Michigan Competency Based Education. Questions followed. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached to the minutes.

Greg Dionne, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction, and Michelle Ribant, State Director of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning and Educational Technology, briefed the committee on Michigan Competency Based Education. Questions followed.

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The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4314.

**HB 4314 (Hornberger)** Education; board members; popular election of intermediate school board members; require.

The Chair offered the substitute (H-1) for House Bill 4314.

**Representative Hornberger moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) for House Bill 4314.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, Sowerby. (14/15)**

**Nays: Representative Griffin, (1/15)**

**Pass: None. (0/15)**

Representative Hornberger, the bill sponsor, Representative Runestad, and Leon Drolet, representing the Michigan Taxpayers Alliance, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Annalisa Grunwald and Pete Haines, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Christina Canfield, representing the Michigan Education Association, submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

The following submitted testimony cards in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Chris Glass, representing the West Michigan Talent Triangle,

Jerry Peregord, representing the School Equity Caucus,

Emily Laidlaw, representing Small and Rural Schools,

Peter Spadafore, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators,

Emily Laidlaw, representing the Educational Service Agency Group,

Jerry Johnson, representing Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Jackson, Lenawee, and Monroe Intermediate School Districts,

Kathleen Merry, representing Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency, and

Lisa Hanskrecht, representing Oakland Schools.

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There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Hornberger moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:29 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

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Tim Kelly, Chair

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Matt Carnagie, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee